1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
2	DISTRICT OF NEVADA	
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4	GARY SHEPARD,	Case No. 2:12-cv-00457-RFB-PAL
5	Plaintiff,	MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
6	V.	Dated: February 1 and 2, 2016
7	CHARLES HORN, et al.,	
8	Defendants.	
9	PRESENT: THE HONORABLE PEGGY A. LEEN, United States Magistrate Judge	
10	JUDICIAL ASSISTANT: Teresa Hoskin	RECORDER/TAPE #: None
11	COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFF(S): <u>Travis Barrick</u>	
12	COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT(S): Jared Frost	
13	PROCEEDING: Conference Call	
14	<u>February 1, 2016</u>	
15	A conference call was conducted commencing at 3:55 p.m. regarding Defendants'	
16	Motion to Excuse Their Personal Appearance at the Settlement Conference (Dkt. #71).	
17	Counsel for Defendants explained that he only recently read the order which required the	
18	personal appearance of the individual defendants who live and work in northern Nevada. The	
19	State would prefer to avoid the cost of having them fly to Las Vegas for the settlement	
20	conference. Plaintiff's counsel opposed the request pointing out that the order scheduling this	
21	settlement conference and requiring the personal attendance of the individuals was entered last	
22	September. The court directed counsel for defendants to explore alternative means of having his	
23	clients participate through video conference. The conference concluded at 4:02 p.m.	
24	IT IS ORDERED that a follow up phone conference is scheduled for 4:00 p.m.,	
25	February 2, 2016 . Mr. Frost shall initiate the conference call to chambers.	
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February 2, 2016

A conference call was conducted commencing at 4:02 p.m. Counsel for Defendants reported on availability of video conference participation in Reno. The conference call concluded at 4:13 p.m.

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants' Motion to Excuse Their Personal Appearance at the Settlement Conference (Dkt. #71) is **GRANTED** to the extent that Defendants will not be required to travel to Las Vegas, and **DENIED** to the extent that the parties will be required to appear via video conference in Reno.

PEGGY A. LEEN

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE